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TAGS: OREP (DIGGS, CHARLES C.)

SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN DIGGS' PRESS STATEMENT ON SOUTH AFRICA

REF: PRETORIA 336

SUMMARY: CONGRESSMAN DIGGS TERMS REFUSAL OF SOUTH AFRICANS TO ALLOW DISTRIBUTION OF PRESS STATEMENT AN INSULT TO U.S. CONGRESS.

1. IN PRESS CONFERENCE AT LOURENCO MARQUES AIRPORT PRIOR TO DEPARTING MOZAMBIQUE LATE AFTERNOON OF JAN 30, CONGRESSMAN DIGGS ANNOUNCED HE HAD LEARNED THAT SOUTH AFRICA HAD "PROHIBITED" AMERICAN EMBASSY FROM DISTRIBUTING HIS PLANNED PRESS RELEASE. HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THE EMBASSY IN PRETORIA WAS SEEKING URGENT INSTRUCTIONS FROM WASHINGTON ON HOW TO DEAL WITH THIS LATEST "INSULT". DIGGS SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER THE STATEMENT WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED AT JAN SMUTS AIRPORT OR NOT, AND THEREFORE HE WAS DISTRIBUTING THE PRESS RELEASE IN LOURENCO MARQUES. DIGGS RESTATED THE TWO RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE PRESS RELEASE: (1) THAT THE UNITED STATES "RECIPROCATATE" BY REFUSING VISAS TO SOUTH AFRICAN PARLIAMENTARIANS AND HIGH OFFICIALS; AND (2) THAT AMBASSADOR HURD, WHO IS ENDING HIS TOUR IN PRETORIA NOT BE REPLACED, THUS SHOWING BY A TANGIBLE ACT U.S. DISPLEASURE

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WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT.

2. COMMENT: DIGGS LEARNED OF REFTEL CONTENTS THROUGH ORAL BRIEFING BY CONGEN, WHO HAD DISCUSSED MATTER WITH EMBASSY PRETORIA. SOUTH AFRICAN CORRESPONDENTS WERE PRESENT. WALKER

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